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Corps invites public to Eagle Days at Smithville Lake

SMITHVILLE, Mo.— The Kansas City District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Smithville Lake along with Clay County Department of Parks and Recreation and the Missouri Department of Conservation invites the public to Eagle Days at Smithville Lake in Smithville, Mo., scheduled Jan. 8-9.

The two-day event will be highlighted by live eagle programs at Paradise Pointe Golf Course Complex in Little Platte Park by Operation Wildlife on Saturday at 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. and on Sunday at 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Kids' crafts and other vendors will be set up on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eagle viewing stations will be set up with spotting scopes in the waterfowl refuge. Agency personnel will be available to help visitors view live eagles in the wild.

The event is free, but seating is limited to 175 people per show. No tickets are needed. If you have any questions about the open house, please call the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jerry Litton Visitor Center at (816) 532-0174.

Scopes will be set up at the best viewing areas on the lake, and Conservation agents, Clay County park rangers and federal park rangers will be available to assist visitors. Don't forget to bring your cameras, binoculars and scopes. Dress warmly for outside viewing.

The Jerry Litton Visitor Center is located at 16311 DD Highway, Smithville, Mo. The Paradise Pointe Golf Course Complex is at 18212 Golf Course Road, Smithville, Mo.